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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to employment services programs administered
2 by the department of workforce development by providing
3 for conformity with federal law concerning the workforce
4 development board, authorizing the department to carry out
5 certain actions relating to the unemployment insurance
6 program, making an appropriation, and including effective
7 date provisions.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 DIVISION I
2 CONFORMITY WITH FEDERAL WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY
3 ACT

4 Section 1. Section 84A.1A, subsection 1, unnumbered
5 paragraph 1, Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:

6 An Iowa workforce development board is created, consisting
7 of nine voting members appointed by the governor and ~~twelve~~
8 sixteen ex officio, nonvoting members.

9 Sec. 2. Section 84A.1A, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code
10 2016, is amended to read as follows:

11 b. The ex officio, nonvoting members are four legislative
12 members; one president, or the president's designee, of
13 the university of northern Iowa, the university of Iowa, or
14 Iowa state university of science and technology, designated
15 by the state board of regents on a rotating basis; one
16 representative from the largest statewide public employees'
17 organization representing state employees; one president, or
18 the president's designee, of an independent Iowa college,
19 appointed by the Iowa association of independent colleges and
20 universities; one superintendent, or the superintendent's
21 designee, of a community college, appointed by the Iowa
22 association of community college presidents; one representative
23 of the vocational rehabilitation community appointed by
24 the state rehabilitation council in the division of Iowa
25 vocational rehabilitation services; one representative of
26 the department of education appointed by the state board of
27 education; one representative of the economic development
28 authority appointed by the director; one representative
29 of the department for the blind appointed by the director;
30 one representative of the department on aging appointed
31 by the director; one representative of the department of
32 corrections appointed by the director; one representative of
33 the department of human services appointed by the director; and
34 one representative of the United States department of labor,
35 office of apprenticeship. The legislative members are two

1 state senators, one appointed by the president of the senate
2 after consultation with the majority leader of the senate,
3 and one appointed by the minority leader of the senate from
4 their respective parties; and two state representatives, one
5 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives
6 after consultation with the majority leader of the house of
7 representatives, and one appointed by the minority leader of
8 the house of representatives from their respective parties.
9 The legislative members shall serve for terms as provided in
10 section 69.16B.

11 Sec. 3. Section 84A.1A, Code 2016, is amended by adding the
12 following new subsections:

13 NEW SUBSECTION. 6. The workforce development board may
14 designate and direct the activities of standing committees of
15 the workforce development board to provide information and to
16 assist the workforce development board in carrying out its
17 duties. Such standing committees shall be chaired by a member
18 of the workforce development board, may include other members
19 of the workforce development board, and shall include other
20 individuals appointed by the workforce development board who
21 are not members of the workforce development board and who
22 the workforce development board determines have appropriate
23 experience and expertise.

24 NEW SUBSECTION. 7. The directors of the departments
25 of workforce development and education, and the economic
26 development authority, and the administrator of the division
27 of Iowa vocational rehabilitation services of the department
28 of education shall establish an operations team to assist the
29 workforce development board in the performance of its duties
30 under section 84A.1B.

31 NEW SUBSECTION. 8. The directors of the departments
32 of workforce development and education, the department for
33 the blind, and the economic development authority, and the
34 administrator of the division of Iowa vocational rehabilitation
35 services of the department of education, or their designees,

1 shall form a policy council to make recommendations to the
2 workforce development board regarding policies, procedures,
3 guidance, and proven and promising practices that support an
4 integrated workforce development system that is responsive to
5 the needs of workers, job seekers, and employers.

6 Sec. 4. Section 84A.1B, subsections 1, 3, 7, and 8, Code
7 2016, are amended to read as follows:

8 1. Develop and coordinate the implementation of a
9 ~~twenty-year~~ four-year comprehensive workforce development
10 plan of specific needs, goals, ~~objectives~~ strategies, and
11 policies for the state. This plan shall be updated annually
12 every two years and revised as necessary. All other state
13 agencies involved in workforce development activities and
14 the ~~regional advisory~~ local workforce development boards ~~for~~
15 ~~workforce development~~ shall annually submit to the board for
16 its review and potential inclusion in the plan their needs,
17 goals, ~~objectives~~ strategies, and policies.

18 3. Develop a method of evaluation of the attainment of
19 needs and goals ~~and objectives~~ from pursuing the strategies and
20 policies of the ~~five-year and twenty-year plans~~ four-year plan.

21 7. Review grants or contracts awarded by the department
22 of workforce development, with respect to the department's
23 adherence to the guidelines and procedures and the impact
24 on the ~~five-year strategic~~ four-year plan ~~for workforce~~
25 development.

26 8. Make recommendations concerning the use of federal
27 funds received by the department of workforce development ~~with~~
28 ~~respect to the five-year and twenty-year workforce development~~
29 ~~plans~~.

30 Sec. 5. Section 84A.1B, subsection 2, Code 2016, is amended
31 by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu thereof the
32 following:

33 2. Develop and coordinate the implementation of statewide
34 workforce development policies, procedures, and guidance to
35 align the state's workforce development programs and activities

1 in an integrated and streamlined state workforce development
2 system that is data driven and responsive to the needs of
3 workers, job seekers, and employers.

4 Sec. 6. Section 84A.1B, Code 2016, is amended by adding the
5 following new subsections:

6 NEW SUBSECTION. 10. Develop and coordinate strategies for
7 technological improvements to facilitate access to, and improve
8 the quality of, the state's workforce development services.

9 NEW SUBSECTION. 11. Develop and coordinate strategies for
10 aligning technology and data systems across state agencies
11 in order to improve the integration and coordination of the
12 delivery of workforce development services.

13 NEW SUBSECTION. 12. Identify and disseminate information
14 on proven and promising practices for meeting the needs
15 of workers, job seekers, and employers, including but not
16 limited to proven and promising practices for the effective
17 operation of workforce centers and systems; the development of
18 effective local workforce development boards; the development
19 of effective training programs; effective engagement with
20 stakeholders in the state's workforce development system;
21 effective engagement with employers; and increasing access
22 to workforce services for all Iowans, in particular for
23 individuals with a barrier to employment as defined in the
24 federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Pub. L. No.
25 113-128, section 3(24).

26 NEW SUBSECTION. 13. Develop and coordinate the
27 implementation of allocation formulas for the distribution
28 of funds available for employment and training activities in
29 local workforce development areas under the federal Workforce
30 Innovation and Opportunity Act, Pub. L. No. 113-128, sections
31 128(b)(3) and 133(b)(3).

32 NEW SUBSECTION. 14. Provide recommendations to the
33 governor regarding the certification of local workforce
34 development boards.

35 NEW SUBSECTION. 15. Develop and coordinate the analysis

1 of labor market information in order to identify in-demand
2 industries and occupations.

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 16. Make recommendations to the governor
4 regarding the designation of local workforce development areas
5 and regions in the state under the federal Workforce Innovation
6 and Opportunity Act, Pub. L. No. 113-128, section 106.

7 NEW SUBSECTION. 17. Make recommendations to the general
8 assembly and governor regarding workforce development services,
9 programs, and activities.

10 Sec. 7. Section 84A.4, subsections 1 and 3, Code 2016, are
11 amended to read as follows:

12 1. A ~~regional advisory~~ local workforce development board
13 shall be established in each service delivery area as defined
14 in [section 84B.2](#). The voting members of ~~the~~ each board shall
15 be appointed by the governor, consistent with the requirements
16 of federal law and in consultation with chief elected officials
17 within the ~~region~~ local workforce development area. Chief
18 elected officials responsible for recommendations for ~~board~~
19 board's voting membership shall include, but are not limited
20 to, county elected officials, municipal elected officials,
21 and community college directors. The voting membership of
22 each board shall provide for equal representation of business
23 and labor and shall include a county elected official, a
24 city official, a representative of a school district, and a
25 representative of a community college. A local workforce
26 development board may appoint ex officio, nonvoting members.

27 3. [Section 84A.1A, subsections 2, 3, and 5](#), apply to the
28 members of a ~~regional advisory~~ local workforce development
29 board except that the board shall meet if a majority of
30 the members of the board file a written request with the
31 chairperson for a meeting. Members of a ~~regional advisory~~
32 local workforce development board shall be allowed their actual
33 and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their
34 duties. All expenses shall be paid from appropriations for
35 those purposes and the department of workforce development is

1 subject to the budget requirements of [chapter 8](#).

2 Sec. 8. Section 84A.4, subsection 2, Code 2016, is amended
3 by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu thereof the
4 following:

5 2. A local workforce development board shall do all of the
6 following:

7 a. Develop and coordinate the implementation of a four-year
8 comprehensive local workforce development plan that identifies
9 needs, goals, strategies, and policies for the local workforce
10 development area. A local workforce development plan shall
11 be updated every two years and revised as necessary. A local
12 workforce development board shall coordinate the convening of
13 local workforce development system stakeholders to assist in
14 the development of the local workforce development plan.

15 b. Develop and coordinate the alignment of the local area's
16 workforce development programs, services, and activities in an
17 integrated and streamlined workforce development system that
18 is data driven and responsive to the needs of workers, job
19 seekers, and employers.

20 c. Develop and coordinate policies that increase access
21 to workforce services for all Iowans, in particular for
22 individuals with a barrier to employment as defined in the
23 federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Pub. L. No.
24 113-128, section 3(24).

25 d. Develop and coordinate the creation of reports as
26 required by section 84A.1B.

27 e. Develop a budget for the local workforce development
28 board's activities in the local workforce development area,
29 consistent with the four-year comprehensive local workforce
30 development plan, any modifications to the local workforce
31 development plan, and the local workforce development board's
32 duties under this section.

33 f. Convene workforce development system stakeholders to
34 identify expertise and resources to leverage support for
35 workforce development programs, services, and activities in the

1 local area.

2 *g.* Coordinate outreach to employers and economic development
3 entities in the local workforce development area.

4 *h.* Coordinate the performance of workforce research and
5 regional labor market analysis.

6 *i.* Participate in the development of strategies for using
7 technology to maximize the accessibility and effectiveness of
8 the local workforce development system.

9 *j.* Participate in the oversight of workforce development
10 programs and activities in the local workforce development
11 area.

12 *k.* Award grants or contracts as required by and consistent
13 with applicable state and federal law.

14 *l.* Designate a fiscal agent.

15 *m.* Participate in the development of performance
16 accountability measures for the local workforce development
17 area.

18 *n.* Participate in the identification and promotion of proven
19 and promising practices for meeting the needs of workers, job
20 seekers, and employers.

21 *o.* Coordinate activities with education and training
22 providers in the local workforce development area.

23 *p.* Participate in the identification of eligible providers
24 of training and career services within the local workforce
25 development area.

26 *q.* Make recommendations to the state workforce development
27 board regarding workforce development programs, services, and
28 activities.

29 Sec. 9. Section 84A.4, Code 2016, is amended by adding the
30 following new subsection:

31 NEW SUBSECTION. 2A. A local workforce development board may
32 do the following:

33 *a.* Designate and direct the activities of standing
34 committees of the local workforce development board to provide
35 information and to assist the local workforce development board

1 in carrying out its duties. Such standing committees shall be
2 chaired by a member of the local workforce development board,
3 may include other members of the local workforce development
4 board, and shall include other individuals appointed by the
5 local workforce development board who are not members of the
6 local workforce development board and who the local workforce
7 development board determines have appropriate experience and
8 expertise.

9 *b.* Engage in regional coordination with one or more other
10 local workforce development areas under the federal Workforce
11 Innovation and Opportunity Act, Pub. L. No. 113-128, section
12 106.

13 Sec. 10. Section 84A.5, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2016,
14 is amended to read as follows:

15 The department of workforce development, in consultation
16 with the workforce development board and the ~~regional~~
17 advisory local workforce development boards, has the primary
18 responsibilities set out in [this section](#).

19 Sec. 11. Section 84A.5, subsection 9, unnumbered paragraph
20 1, Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:

21 The department of workforce development, in consultation
22 with the applicable ~~regional advisory~~ local workforce
23 development board, shall select service providers, subject to
24 approval by the workforce development board for each service
25 delivery area. A service provider in each service delivery
26 area shall be identified to coordinate the services throughout
27 the service delivery area. The department of workforce
28 development shall select service providers that, to the extent
29 possible, meet or have the ability to meet the following
30 criteria:

31 Sec. 12. Section 84A.6, subsection 1, Code 2016, is amended
32 to read as follows:

33 1. The department of workforce development, in consultation
34 with the workforce development board and the ~~regional~~
35 advisory local workforce development boards, the department of

1 education, and the economic development authority shall work
2 together to develop policies encouraging coordination between
3 skill development, labor exchange, and economic development
4 activities.

5 Sec. 13. NEW SECTION. **84B.01 Workforce development system.**

6 The departments of workforce development, education,
7 human services, and corrections, the economic development
8 authority, department on aging, the division of Iowa vocational
9 rehabilitation services of the department of education, and the
10 department for the blind shall collaborate where possible under
11 applicable state and federal law to align workforce development
12 programs, services, and activities in an integrated workforce
13 development system in the state and in each local workforce
14 development area that is data driven and responsive to the
15 needs of workers, job seekers, and employers. The departments,
16 authority, and division shall also jointly establish an
17 integrated management information system for linking workforce
18 development programs within local workforce development systems
19 and in the state.

20 Sec. 14. Section 84B.1, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2016,
21 is amended to read as follows:

22 The department of workforce development, in consultation
23 with the departments of education, human services, and ~~human~~
24 ~~rights~~ corrections, the economic development authority,
25 the department on aging, the division of Iowa vocational
26 rehabilitation services of the department of education, and
27 the department for the blind, shall establish guidelines
28 for colocating state and federal employment and training
29 programs in centers providing services at the local level. The
30 centers shall be known as workforce development centers. ~~The~~
31 ~~departments and the authority shall also jointly establish~~
32 ~~an integrated management information system for linking the~~
33 ~~programs within a local center to the same programs within~~
34 ~~other local centers and to the state.~~ The guidelines shall
35 provide for local design and operation within the guidelines.

1 The core services available at a center shall include but are
2 not limited to all of the following:

3 Sec. 15. Section 84B.2, Code 2016, is amended to read as
4 follows:

5 **84B.2 Workforce development centers — location.**

6 A workforce development center, as provided in section
7 84B.1, shall be located in each service delivery area. Each
8 workforce development center shall also maintain a presence,
9 through satellite offices or electronic means, in each county
10 located within that service delivery area. For purposes of
11 this section, "*service delivery area*" means the area included
12 within a merged area, as defined in [section 260C.2](#), realigned
13 to the closest county border as determined by the department
14 of workforce development. However, if the state workforce
15 development board determines that an area of the state would
16 be adversely affected by the designation of the service
17 delivery areas by the department, the department may, after
18 consultation with the applicable ~~regional advisory~~ local
19 workforce development boards and with the approval of the state
20 workforce development board, make accommodations in determining
21 the service delivery areas, including, but not limited to, the
22 creation of a new service delivery area. In no event shall the
23 department create more than sixteen service delivery areas.

24 Sec. 16. Section 260H.2, subsection 1, Code 2016, is amended
25 to read as follows:

26 1. A pathways for academic career and employment program
27 is established to provide funding to community colleges for
28 the development of projects in coordination with the economic
29 development authority, the department of education, the
30 department of workforce development, ~~regional advisory~~ local
31 workforce development boards established pursuant to section
32 84A.4, and community partners to implement a simplified,
33 streamlined, and comprehensive process, along with customized
34 support services, to enable eligible participants to acquire
35 effective academic and employment training to secure gainful,

1 quality, in-state employment.

2 Sec. 17. Section 260H.4, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
3 2016, is amended to read as follows:

4 a. Economic and workforce development requirements in each
5 region served by the community colleges as defined by ~~regional~~
6 advisory local workforce development boards established
7 pursuant to [section 84A.4](#).

8 Sec. 18. Section 260H.4, subsection 2, paragraph b,
9 subparagraph (5), Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:

10 (5) Any other industry designated as in-demand by a ~~regional~~
11 advisory local workforce development board established pursuant
12 to [section 84A.4](#).

13 Sec. 19. Section 260H.8, Code 2016, is amended to read as
14 follows:

15 **260H.8 Rules.**

16 The department of education, in consultation with the
17 community colleges, the economic development authority, and the
18 department of workforce development, shall adopt rules pursuant
19 to [chapter 17A](#) and [this chapter](#) to implement the provisions of
20 this chapter. ~~Regional advisory~~ Local workforce development
21 boards established pursuant to [section 84A.4](#) shall be consulted
22 in the development and implementation of rules to be adopted
23 pursuant to [this chapter](#).

24 Sec. 20. Section 260I.6, subsection 2, paragraph e, Code
25 2016, is amended to read as follows:

26 e. Any other industry designated as in-demand by a ~~regional~~
27 advisory local workforce development board established pursuant
28 to [section 84A.4](#).

29 Sec. 21. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. This division of this
30 Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon
31 enactment.

32 DIVISION II

33 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS — AUTHORIZATION TO JOIN
34 CONSORTIUM AND USE CERTAIN FUNDS — APPROPRIATION

35 Sec. 22. AUTHORIZATION TO JOIN CONSORTIUM. The department

1 of workforce development is hereby authorized to join a
2 consortium with the states of Idaho and Vermont for the purpose
3 of modifying the Idaho unemployment benefit payment software
4 system so that it can be used to pay unemployment insurance
5 benefits by the state of Iowa.

6 Sec. 23. APPROPRIATION — UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT
7 PAYMENT SOFTWARE SYSTEM.

8 1. There is hereby appropriated out of funds made available
9 to the state of Iowa under section 903 of the Social Security
10 Act, as amended, the sum of one million seventy-six thousand
11 dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be used
12 under the direction of the department of workforce development,
13 for the purpose of modifying the Idaho unemployment insurance
14 benefit payment software system so that it can be used to pay
15 unemployment insurance benefits by the state of Iowa and for
16 the acquisition of programing, software, and equipment required
17 to provide an administrative and payment system for the Iowa
18 unemployment insurance program.

19 2. The funds hereby appropriated shall not be obligated
20 after the expiration of the two-year period beginning on the
21 date of the enactment of this section.

22 3. The amount obligated pursuant to this section shall
23 not exceed at any time the amount by which the aggregate of
24 the amounts transferred to the account of this state in the
25 unemployment trust fund pursuant to section 903 of the Social
26 Security Act, as amended, exceeds the aggregate of the amounts
27 obligated for administration and paid out for unemployment
28 insurance benefits and required by law to be charged against
29 the amounts transferred to the account of this state in the
30 unemployment trust fund.

31 Sec. 24. AUTHORIZATION OF USE OF FUNDS — UNEMPLOYMENT
32 INSURANCE BENEFIT PAYMENT SOFTWARE SYSTEM.

33 1. Four million eight hundred twenty-five thousand dollars,
34 or so much thereof as may be necessary, of incentive payment
35 funds credited with respect to the Assistance for Unemployed

1 Workers and Struggling Families Act, Pub. L. No. 111-5,
2 Division B, Tit. II, §2003, as codified in 42 U.S.C. §1103,
3 as a special transfer made under section 903(g) of the Social
4 Security Act, may be used under the direction of the department
5 of workforce development for the purpose of modifying the Idaho
6 unemployment insurance benefit payment system so that it can
7 be used to pay unemployment insurance benefits by the state
8 of Iowa and for the acquisition of programing, software, and
9 equipment required to provide an administrative and payment
10 system for the Iowa unemployment insurance program.

11 2. The funds hereby authorized for use shall not be
12 obligated after the expiration of the two-year period beginning
13 on the date of the enactment of this section.

14 Sec. 25. AUTHORIZATION OF USE OF FUNDS — UNEMPLOYMENT
15 INSURANCE BENEFIT OVERPAYMENTS.

16 1. Four hundred thirty-three thousand, eight hundred
17 sixty-six dollars and twenty-four cents, or so much thereof
18 as may be necessary, of incentive payment funds credited with
19 respect to the Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling
20 Families Act, Pub. L. No. 111-5, Division B, Tit. II, §2003, as
21 codified in 42 U.S.C. §1103, as a special transfer made under
22 section 903(g) of the Social Security Act, may be used under
23 the direction of the department of workforce development and in
24 accordance with the recommendation of the workforce development
25 board for the purpose of offsetting all potential unemployment
26 insurance benefit overpayments caused by a telephone system
27 malfunction on March 8, 2014.

28 2. The funds hereby authorized for use shall not be
29 obligated after the expiration of the two-year period beginning
30 on the date of the enactment of this section.

31 Sec. 26. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. This division of this
32 Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon
33 enactment.

34

EXPLANATION

35 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with

1 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

2 This bill relates to employment services programs
3 administered by the department of workforce development by
4 providing for conformity with federal law concerning the
5 workforce development board, authorizing the department
6 to carry out certain actions relating to the unemployment
7 insurance program, and making an appropriation.

8 DIVISION I — CONFORMITY WITH FEDERAL WORKFORCE INNOVATION
9 AND OPPORTUNITY ACT. This division of the bill makes various
10 changes relating to the department of workforce development,
11 workforce development board, regional advisory boards, and
12 workforce development centers in order to conform state law
13 with the requirements of the federal Workforce Innovation and
14 Opportunity Act, Pub. L. No. 113-128.

15 The division adds four ex officio, nonvoting members to
16 the Iowa workforce development board. The additional members
17 are one representative of the department for the blind, one
18 representative of the department on aging, one representative
19 of the department of corrections, and one representative of the
20 department of human services.

21 The division permits the Iowa workforce development board
22 to designate and direct the activities of standing committees
23 of the board to provide information and to assist the board in
24 carrying out its duties.

25 The division requires the directors of the departments
26 of workforce development and education, and the economic
27 development authority, and the administrator of the division
28 of Iowa vocational rehabilitation services of the department
29 of education, to establish an operations team to assist the
30 workforce development board in the performance of its duties.

31 The division requires the directors of the departments
32 of workforce development and education, the department for
33 the blind, and the economic development authority, and the
34 administrator of the division of Iowa vocational rehabilitation
35 services of the department of education, or their designees, to

1 form a policy council to make certain recommendations to the
2 workforce development board.

3 The division modifies existing duties of the workforce
4 development board, including replacing requirements for
5 developing and coordinating implementation of five- and 20-year
6 workforce development plans with requirements for a four-year
7 comprehensive workforce development plan.

8 The division provides various new duties of the workforce
9 development board including duties relating to statewide
10 workforce development policies, procedures, and guidance;
11 technology and data systems; identifying and disseminating
12 information on proven and promising practices relating to
13 workforce needs; implementation of allocation formulas for
14 the distribution of certain federal funds; making certain
15 recommendations to the governor and general assembly; and
16 developing and coordinating the analysis of labor market
17 information.

18 The division renames regional advisory boards established
19 under current Code section 84A.4 as local workforce development
20 boards. Current membership requirements of such boards are
21 unchanged, although the division permits such boards to appoint
22 ex officio, nonvoting members. The division renames regions in
23 which such boards operate as local workforce development areas.

24 The division strikes existing duties of regional advisory
25 boards and provides new duties for local workforce development
26 boards, including duties relating to implementation of
27 four-year local workforce development plans, increasing access
28 to workforce services, developing a budget, coordinating the
29 performance of workforce research and regional labor market
30 analysis, oversight of workforce development programs and
31 activities, awarding grants or contracts, participating in the
32 identification of eligible providers of training and career
33 services within the local workforce development area, and
34 making certain recommendations. The division permits a board
35 to designate and direct the activities of standing committees

1 of the board to provide information and to assist the board
2 in carrying out its duties. The division permits a board to
3 engage in regional coordination with one or more other local
4 workforce development areas as provided in federal law.

5 The division modifies the state entities the department
6 of workforce development is required to consult with in
7 establishing guidelines for workforce development centers
8 by striking the department of human rights and adding the
9 department of corrections and the division of Iowa vocational
10 rehabilitation services of the department of education.

11 The division requires the departments of workforce
12 development, education, human services, and corrections, the
13 economic development authority, department on aging, the
14 division of Iowa vocational rehabilitation services of the
15 department of education, and the department for the blind to
16 collaborate where possible under applicable state and federal
17 law to align workforce development programs, services, and
18 activities in an integrated workforce development system in the
19 state and each local workforce development area that is data
20 driven and responsive to the needs of workers, job seekers, and
21 employers. The division requires the departments, authority,
22 and division to also jointly establish an integrated management
23 information system for linking workforce development programs
24 within local workforce development systems and in the state.

25 The division makes additional conforming statutory changes.

26 The division takes effect upon enactment.

27 DIVISION II — UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS —

28 AUTHORIZATION TO JOIN CONSORTIUM — APPROPRIATION —

29 AUTHORIZATION OF USE OF FUNDS. This division of the bill
30 authorizes the department of workforce development to join a
31 consortium with the states of Idaho and Vermont for the purpose
32 of modifying the Idaho unemployment benefit payment software
33 system so that it can be used to pay unemployment insurance
34 benefits by the state of Iowa.

35 The division appropriates out of funds made available to the

1 state of Iowa under section 903 of the Social Security Act, as
2 amended, the sum of \$1,076,000, or so much thereof as may be
3 necessary, to be used under the direction of the department of
4 workforce development, for the purpose of modifying the Idaho
5 unemployment insurance benefit payment software system so that
6 it can be used to pay unemployment insurance benefits by the
7 state of Iowa and for the acquisition of programing, software,
8 and equipment required to provide an administrative and payment
9 system for the Iowa unemployment insurance program.

10 The amount obligated shall not exceed at any time the amount
11 by which the aggregate of the amounts transferred to the
12 account of this state in the unemployment trust fund pursuant
13 to section 903 of the Social Security Act, as amended, exceeds
14 the aggregate of the amounts obligated for administration and
15 paid out for unemployment insurance benefits and required
16 by law to be charged against the amounts transferred to the
17 account of this state in the unemployment trust fund.

18 The division authorizes \$4,825,000, or so much thereof as
19 may be necessary, of incentive payment funds credited with
20 respect to the Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling
21 Families Act, Pub. L. No. 111-5, Division B, Tit. II, §2003,
22 as a special transfer made under section 903(g) of the Social
23 Security Act, to be used under the direction of the department
24 of workforce development for the purpose of modifying the Idaho
25 unemployment insurance benefit payment system so that it can
26 be used to pay unemployment insurance benefits by the state
27 of Iowa and for the acquisition of programing, software, and
28 equipment required to provide an administrative and payment
29 system for the Iowa unemployment insurance program.

30 The division authorizes \$433,866.24, or so much thereof
31 as may be necessary, of incentive payment funds credited
32 with respect to the Assistance for Unemployed Workers and
33 Struggling Families Act, Pub. L. No. 111-5, Division B, Tit.
34 II, §2003, as a special transfer made under section 903(g)
35 of the Social Security Act, to be used under the direction

1 of the department of workforce development and in accordance
2 with the recommendation of the workforce development board for
3 the purpose of offsetting all potential unemployment insurance
4 benefit overpayments caused by a telephone system malfunction
5 on March 8, 2014.

6 The funds appropriated and authorized for use by the
7 division shall not be obligated after the expiration of the
8 two-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of the
9 division.

10 The division takes effect upon enactment.